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Landslide at Talacauvery

Hostile weather hampers relief & rescue operations

Kodagu District Minister V. Somanna forced to take boat to reach Bhagamandala; Two houses still under rubble

Madikeri, Aug. 7 (PS&BCT)- Relief and rescue operations at Talacauvery in Kodagu District has been hit due to incessant rains and landslides. Five persons of a family including the Chief Priest of Sri Cauvery Temple T.S. Narayanachar are said to be buried alive as a portion of the Brahmagiri Hill collapsed on two houses where the priests lived on Wednesday midnight.

Kodagu District Minister V. Somanna, who has rushed to the District, stated this morning that relief and rescue measures will be taken up only after the weather turns favourable. The National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) that has been tasked with rescue has called off the operations since last night following more landslides in the area and heavy rain that has been pounding since the last 48 hours. Along with Narayanachar, his wife Shantha Narayana, Shantha's brother Anandathirtha Swamiji and relatives Ravikiran Bhat and Pavan Bhat are feared to be dead. Mud came crashing on two houses at around midnight on Wednesday and the mountain range that collapsed is around 30 acres.

Minister travels in boat

This morning, Somanna visited Bhagamandala and he was forced to get down from his car and travel in a boat to Bhagamandala as the Kottur Bridge was overflowing. From Bhagamandala, he travelled in a jeep for a short distance but was again forced to abandon his visit as landslide had blocked the Bhagamandala-Talacauvery Road.

(See RESCUE on page 7)

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Mysuru COVID-19 UPDATE

Figures as per Government Media Bulletin released last evening

Positive cases yesterday	:	361
Total positive cases	:	6,476
Discharges yesterday	:	152
Total discharges	:	2,494
Deaths yesterday	:	4
Total deaths	:	198
Total active cases	:	3,784

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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Friday 7th August 2020

Career guidance for II PUC students tomorrow

Mysuru, Aug.7- NIE Institute of Technology (NIE-IT), Koorgalli, is conducting a career guidance programme titled "Career vision: PUC what's next ?" on Saturday (Aug.8) from 11 am to 12.30 pm.

This will be a live webinar targeting PUC students who are aspiring for a bright career. This programme aims at providing a platform which helps students choose a scholastic future and provides a comprehensive, developmental programme designed to assist individual Pre-University students in making and implementing informed educational and occupational choices.

The resource persons are Dr. Madhu Sathyanarayana, Founder Director of Virtual Mentor and Geetha Shah of Career Launcher and a pioneer in training students for competitive exams in CAT, GRE, etc.

Students and aspirant parents can register themselves using the following registration link *https://forms.gle/i1G5rtsNwwQt72Up6*. This event is coordinated and moderated by Dr. N.V. Archana, Head, Department of EEE and Patron of the event is Dr. Bansilal, Principal, NIE-IT. For more details contact Mob: 94490-14185 or 99003-64849, according to a press release.

College toppers in II PU exam

Sanjana *Likhitha* *Shravani* *Ananya*

Mysuru, Aug.7-Chaitra PU College, Srirampura 2nd Stage, has secured 100 percent results in the recently held II PUC exams in Science stream, with 53.3% distinction and 33.3% First Class.

Sanjana Kashyap has topped the College with 575/600 marks, while second place has been shared by P. Likhitha (Maths - 100) and S. Shravani (Maths-100), both securing 573 marks, and R. Ananya is in 3rd place with 566 marks (Maths - 100).

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

The piercing sunlight made its way through the kaleidoscope of foliage and fell on the spacious playground of the School as I entered its portal after decades. The School brought back a plethora of memories, the morning assembly, the PT Class, lunch break and dispersal. I caressed the brick walls. Have they grown old like grey streaks in my hair? Soon, I could visualise myself standing in prayer line reciting School choir. We had to maintain 'one-arm' distance between each other, in ascending order according to our height. I was average in height so I always stood in the middle of the assembly line, having the advantage to murmur and lip-sync. Bending forward, I used to pick up dry grass and sprinkle it on the white uniform of a girl standing in front of me. Lost in magical memories of those days, now I think assembly lines were not only emblems of spiritual spaces but also of fraternity and flamboyance. Marching on the ground left and right we often talked about pranks and fights. Prayer in the morning acknowledged the universal presence of the divine spirit that binds and equalises all of us. It taught us punctuality, piety and perseverance. To inculcate values of diligence and discipline. The Principal also applauded the achievements of students. This gave students an opportunity to be in the spotlight.

— Ritu Kumar in Deccan Herald

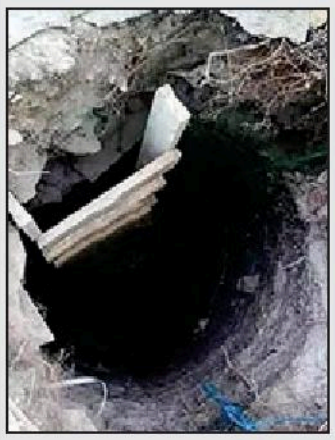
NEWS SPARKLERS

Man buys new car with computer printed cheque

Florida: A 42-year-old man managed to dupe a car dealership staff into letting him drive off in a $140,000 Porsche 911 in exchange for a fake check he had printed on his home computer.

Casey William Kelley from Florida, walked into a Porsche dealership in Destin, Okaloosa County on July 27 and managed to drive off with a brand new, white Porsche 911 sports car. The really impressive thing about that is he only traded a useless piece of paper for it. Kelley had reportedly printed the check for $139,203.05 on his home printer, but staff let him take the car without waiting to see if the cheque cleared. They must have fallen for the conman's confident attitude, as he was so proud of himself that he even asked staff to take a picture of him with the car before driving away.

Mom digs 35-ft-long tunnel to bust son out of prison



Nikolaev: Cops have recently arrested a 51-year-old Ukrainian woman after it was discovered that she had been digging an underground tunnel near the walls of a prison, to help her convicted son escape from jail.

The woman reportedly hails from the Ukrainian city of Nikolaev and had rented a house near the prison where her son was serving a life sentence for murder. Every night, she drove a silent electric scooter to an empty field near the prison to dig a tunnel. She had been working for at least three weeks and had almost dug a 35f-long tunnel which had reached the prison walls when she was arrested. It's unclear how the woman was eventually caught, but local news sources reported that tools were found inside the rented house.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

Can prickly pear cactus help lower my blood sugar?

Prickly pear cactus, called "Nopal" in Spanish, is native to Mexico, the American Southwest and the Mediterranean region. It is widely recommended as a natural method for controlling blood sugar in those with diabetes or pre-diabetes. It may be consumed as food in capsules or in juice form.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Applications invited to provide foster care for children

Mysuru, Aug. 7- There is a provision under Section 44 of Juvenile Justice Act 2015 to provide temporary foster care while living in a family set up to those children with single parent or orphan and those who have been deprived of family care and are housed at Government Balamandiras and Voluntary Organisations.

Hence, families willing to provide such foster care, may obtain the prescribed application forms from the District Child Protection Unit and apply.

Also, parents, who are suffering from deadly diseases and are unable to take care of their children, may contact Child Welfare Committee [Ph: 0821-2472576] and District Children Protection Unit [Ph: 0821-2543003] for rehabilitation of such children who too will be considered for foster care, according to a press release from Dr. S. Divakar, District Child Protection Officer, District Children Protection Unit.

Calling visually impaired children

Mysuru, Aug. 7- Government School for the Blind, Tilak Nagar, has invited applications from the visually impaired children for admissions to 1st to 10th standard. Apart from curricular, co-curricular activities including Daily Living Skills (DLS), yoga, meditation, physical education, music, dance, drama, walking and movement training, computer training, Smart Class services and Spoken English training will be provided from expert teachers. Also, food, accommodation, Braille books, school uniform, learning materials, medical check-up, hot water for bathing and other facilities will be provided for free.

Interested parents may visit the School in person along with their child's UDID Card, birth certificate, caste certificate, photo and Aadhaar card, to obtain admission.

For details, contact Ph: 0821-2497496 or Mob: 94814-41453, according to a press release from the School Superintendent.

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- *Dolphins can detect underwater sounds from 24 km (15 miles) away.*
- *Carrots contain 0% fat.*
- *A snail can sleep for 3 years.*
- *Brazil covers 50% of the South American continent.*
- *Diamonds are the hardest natural substance.*
- *The word 'rhythm' is the longest word without a vowel.*
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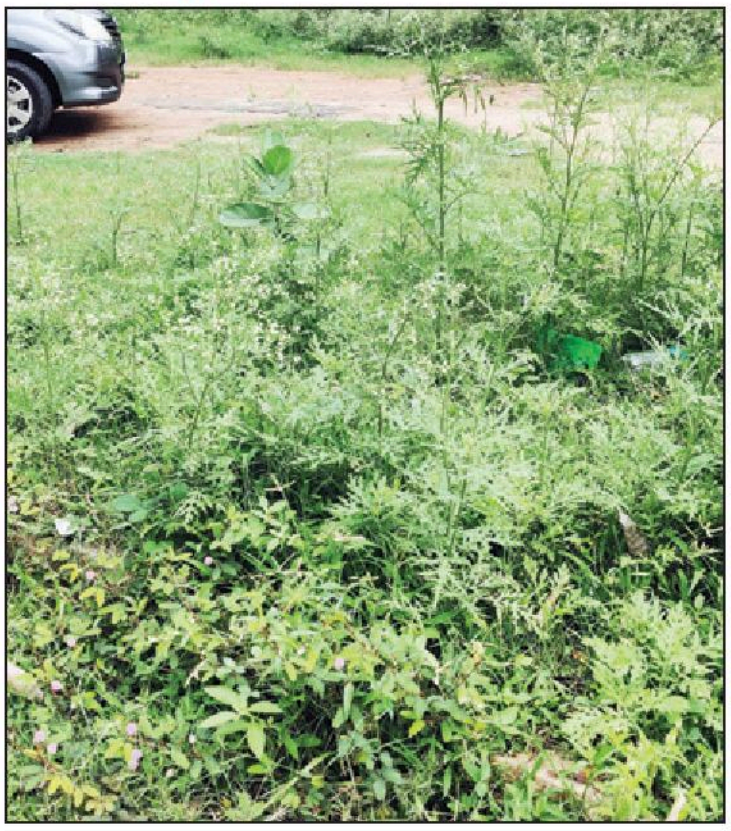
Potential dangers of parthenium



Sir,

If you have a quick glance around your neighbourhood, chances are you will spot the dainty, white-flowered 'congress grass' creeping among the city's lush green vegetation. Congress grass is a rather innocent name for the hazardous and highly allergic Parthenium hysterophorus plant.

What makes the Parthenium plant a real threat is its toxicity when humans/livestock come in contact with it. It also causes respiratory illness and allergic reactions like running nose when in full blooming season. Efforts to eradicate this weed and control its spread have happened in many neighbouring States but in vain.

During a pandemic such as COVID-19 which has respiratory issues marked as a severe symptom, the City Corporation's steps towards curbing this weed's growth may be highly significant. As public, we can also take the responsibility in raising awareness about this plant, identifying and ultimately taking the appropriate measures to destroy it.

After all, we are just trying to create a safer city and a better tomorrow.

—Sruthi Srinivasan
Bogadi
4.8.2020

Obituary

Dr. G.M. Manjunath

Mysuru, Aug. 7- Dr. G.M. Manjunath (59), a Paediatrician at Channapatna General Hospital and a resident of Ramakrishnanagar, passed away yesterday at a private hospital in city following brief illness. He was to retire from service this December.

He leaves behind his wife Dr. Charlotte, daughter Sushma, son Suraj and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral will take place at St. Bartholomew's Church Cemetery, next to St. Philomena's High School on Mysuru-Bengaluru Road in city.

Kanthi Rajendran

Kanthi Rajendran (86), wife of late Solomon Rajendran and a resident of Gokulam II Stage, passed away yesterday in city.

She leaves behind a son, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends. Her husband had pre-deceased her on July 17, 2020. Funeral will be held at St. Bartholomew's Church Cemetery on Mysuru-Bengaluru Road.

Ananthakrishna

Ananthakrishna (Ananthu), a resident of Sri Rama Road in Agrahara, passed away yesterday afternoon in city. He was 76. A bachelor, he leaves behind two sisters and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill yesterday.

COVID care facility inaugurated at Asha Kirana Hospital

Mysuru, Aug.7- Asha Kirana Charitable Trust, Mysuru, extended its services to COVID care by inaugurating a 60-bed facility exclusively for treating people infected with COVID-19 at Asha Kirana Hospital on Hebbal Ring Road here today.

This initiative of COVID care will be managed and operated by MAHAN, an association formed by city's top private health care providers in support with Mysuru District Administration.

Formal nod from the Mysuru DC and relevant authorities has been taken prior to the setting up of the Hospital. Opinions from the Asha Kirana Hospital patients too were sought and they gave a positive response for the burning need of COVID care.

The Hospital is now open for public and is supported by Prakash Jewellers, Shivarampet, as part of their CSR activity.

For the well-being of the citizens and for smooth operations of the facility, a puja was organised where city's top doctors, Trustees of Asha Kirana and MAHAN office-bearers were present, according to a press release from Dr. S.N. Mothi, Chairman, Asha Kirana Hospital, Mysuru.

Ek Bharat Shrest Bharat webinar for NCC cadets from Aug. 10 to 15

Mysuru, Aug.7- Traditionally, 3 Karnataka Girls Bn NCC, under the aegis of NCC Group Mysuru, used to conduct the *Ek Bharat Shrest Bharat* (EBSB) Camp every year in Mysuru.

However this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the event is being organised as a webinar called *'EK Bharat Shrest Bharat Saptah.'* **The webinar will be held from 10 am to 1 pm every day from Aug. 10 to 15.**

This is a maiden effort at the National-level for the NCC Group Mysuru, though this year's *Kargil Vijay Diwas* was also organised as a webinar at the local-level.

A total of 100 NCC cadets belonging to Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh and Chandigarh will take part in the event as guests while an equal number from Karnataka & Goa NCC Directorate will attend the event.

Due to the requirement of uninterrupted and robust internet connection, a central class room has been organised at JSS Polytechnic for Women, JSS Technical Campus, thanks to the co-operation of JSS Mahavidyapeetha, Mysuru.

The aim of the webinar will be to foster a spirit of national integration and solidarity by breaking cultural, religious, geographical, environmental and linguistic barriers and learn about each other's cultural heritage.

To make the webinar interesting a few competitions like debate, and quiz are also being added. One day has been earmarked for Life Skills Training by EXPA, an association of Ex-NCC cadets. On the last day, which also happens to be the Independence Day, a motivational lecture is scheduled by Dr. R. Balasubramaniam of VLEAD, Mysuru. The highlight of the webinar will be presentations or classes being conducted by Cadets themselves.

All participants will be issued with e-certificates. Cash prizes for the competitions will be sent directly to the bank account of the winners as DBT (Direct Benefit Transfer), according to a press release from Col. K.C. Iyappa of NCC Group Mysuru.

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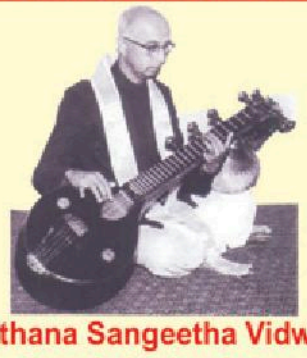

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NEWS BRIEFS

Free Pharma webinar tomorrow

Karnataka Registered Pharmacists Association (KRPA), in association with RR College of Pharmacy, Bengaluru, is conducting a free international webinar for general public tomorrow (Aug. 8) at 11 am, which will be inaugurated by Chemicals and Fertilisers Minister D.V. Sadananda Gowda. Interested participants are requested to click on the link https://bit.ly/KRPARRpharmacyjanaushadi and submit their email ID to register for the webinar, according to a release.

Applications invited for availing benefits

Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Development Corporation, Karnataka Adijambava Development Corporation, Karnataka Thanda Development Corporation, Karnataka State Safai Karmachari Development Corporation and Denotified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Tribes Development Cell, have invited online applications from eligible beneficiaries for availing various benefits under Government schemes such as Self-Employment scheme, Direct Loan scheme, Ganga Kalyana scheme, Land Ownership scheme and Micro-Credit scheme. Interested beneficiaries can log on to – http://adcl.karnataka.gov.in, http://adijambava.kar.nic.in, http://banjarathanda.kar.nic.in and http://ksskdc.kar.nic.in for applying online. Last date for applying online is Aug. 31. Contact Ph: 0821-2332480.

Ph.D awardee

Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) has awarded Ph.D in Kannada Literature to B.R. Jayakumari for her thesis 'Dr. H.J. Lakkappagowdara Baduku mattu Baraha' [Guide: Prof. A. Rangaswamy]

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Harangi Level

(Maximum : 2,859.00 feet)

Today	2,854.22 ft
Inflow	9,744 cusecs
Outflow	13,400 cusecs

Mysuru district sees 361 new COVID positive cases on Aug. 6

Mandya reports 134 new cases, Kodagu sees 51 and Chamarajanagar district reports 95 new cases

Mysuru, Aug. 7 (KS)- Mysuru district has reported 361 new COVID positive cases yesterday bringing the total number of positives in the district to 6,476, according to the media bulletin received last evening.

A total of 2,494 patients have been discharged so far including 152 patients yesterday. With four COVID related deaths being reported yesterday, the death toll so far in the district is 198. There are a total of 3,784 active cases in the district till yesterday.

The following are the COVID reports of Mandya, Kodagu and Chamarajanagar, according to the State media bulletin issued yesterday evening.

Mandya

The district has reported 134 new COVID positive cases and the total number of positives in the district is 2,292. As many as 1,246 patients have been discharged so far from various hospitals in the district including 63 patients yesterday. One COVID related death was reported and the death toll so far is 20. There are 1,026 active cases now.

Kodagu

Fifty one new COVID cases were reported yesterday bringing the total number of positives in the district to 601. With 24 patients been discharged from various hospitals yesterday, the total number of patients discharged so far in the district is 363. Death toll so far is 10 and there are 228 active cases in the district.

Chamarajanagar

The district has reported 95 new COVID cases yesterday and the total positive in the district is 985. As many as 566 patients have been discharged so far including 21 patients yesterday and with one COVID related death yesterday, the death toll so far in the district is 14. There are a total of 405 active cases in the district till yesterday.

MLA writes letter to CM seeking immediate medical care for critically ill COVID-19 patients

Tanveer Sait

Mysuru, Aug.7- Claiming that many critical COVID-19 patients have died due to lack of appropriate medical care, Congress MLA from N.R. Constituency Tanveer Sait has urged the State Government to take necessary measures for providing immediate medical care for COVID-19 patients.

In a letter written to the Chief Minister on Aug.5, Sait said that the number of COVID-19 positive patients is increasing by the day in Mysuru. Noting that shortage of medical staff such as doctors and nurses has resulted in additional pressure on the existing doctors, he opined that the Government should engage the services of Final Year Medical Post-Graduate students and Para-Medical students studying final year, by appointing them on contract basis.

Asserting that the Government should take over private Hospitals and use them for treating COVID-19 patients, Sait in his letter said that the Government must supply 300 more ventilators to the district by spending MLA Local Area Development Funds.

Black leopard spotted at BRT Tiger Reserve

Chamarajanagar, Aug. 7 (SS&KS)- It was a delight for the Forest Department officials as for the first time, a black leopard was sighted in Biligiri Ranganathaswamy Temple (BRT) Tiger Reserve in Chamarajanagar district.

A camera trap, installed to count tigers has captured the photo of the black leopard walking near K. Dam in Bylur Forest Zone.

Black leopards have been spotted in Bandipur, Kabini backwaters and Tamil Nadu's Mudumalai Forests earlier and with the black leopard being spotted in BRT, it has caused happiness among wildlife lovers.

BRT tiger area was declared as a wildlife sanctuary in 1987 and in 2011 it was declared as a Tiger Reserve Forest. BRT shares its borders with Male Mahadeshwara Wildlife Sanctuary and Sathyamangala Tiger Protection Forest and BRT houses tigers, leopards, wild dogs and other carnivorous and herbivorous wild animals. Now, the black leopard is added to the list.

Deputy Conservator of Forests (DCF) Santosh Kumar, speaking to *SOM* said that the sighting of the black leopard indicates the increase in the population of carnivorous animals in BRT.

Short circuit ignites fire on electric pole

Mysuru, Aug. 7 (RK&KS)- An electric pole caught fire following a short circuit causing tension for some time.

The incident took place near Kamal Apartments on the 4th Main Road in V.V. Mohalla at about 5 pm yesterday.

A loud sound followed by the fire on the pole caused tension among the public for some time and soon CESC staff disconnected the power supply and prevented further danger.

The CESC staff then rectified the problem and luckily no one were injured or any damage caused.

Croc tension at Kushalnagar

Kushalnagar, Aug. 7 (KS)- Three juvenile crocodiles were sighted on the banks of Cauvery River at Vivekananda Layout here causing some anxious moments.

As River Cauvery is full due to rains, crocodiles are now being spotted on the river banks. Villagers said that there is a huge female crocodile in the river which had laid eggs on the river banks and had hatched them. They added that as Cauvery River is flowing in full spate, the juvenile crocodiles are climbing on the banks of the river.

Tension has prevailed among the villagers who have spotted four juvenile crocs moving on the banks of the river and the villagers have urged the authorities concerned to catch the crocodiles and relocate them to a safe place.

No 'COVID' mention on death certificates

Mysuru, Aug. 7 (RK&BCT)- Death certificate data is used to monitor local, regional, and national mortality trends to improve public health and public safety. Accurate death certification related to Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) is vital to understand the extent and progression of the pandemic.

However, the death certificates issued by the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) do not mention "COVID death" even if the person has died of virus infection. Experts argue that death certificate data can inform the public and policy-makers on the progress of COVID-19 pandemic and provide important information about who is dying, where they are from, and what were their associated medical conditions.

The social media is rife with posts that say if a person dies due to COVID-19 in any of the government or private-run hospitals or COVID Care Centres and if a death certificate is obtained where COVID is mentioned as the cause of death, the Government gives compensation for the family members. However, the actual fact is that COVID is not mentioned in the death certificate at any cost.

"The death certificates issued by the Mysuru City Corporation, K.R. Hospital, COVID Hospital or any other hospital or a care facility for that matter do not mention COVID as a Cause of Death (COD)," Anil Christie, MCC Statistical Officer, told *Star of Mysore.*

He reasoned that as per protocol and guidelines issued by the Centre and the State Governments, in case the person dies of Coronavirus, the reason for death is not mentioned as COVID. "Nationwide, the death certificate application does not have a 'Column 6' where usually the cause of death is mentioned. As this column itself is not printed in the application, the necessity of mentioning the cause of death does not arise," he said.

The national standards of death reporting have been laid down by the Office of Registrar General of India (ORGI) under its Civil Registration System. This is followed across the nation, he added. As per Registration of Births and Deaths Act, 1969, and Karnataka Registration of Births and Deaths rules, the COVID deaths cannot be made public, he said.

"In the 'Column 6', details like the deceased person's name, date, time and place of death, name of parents, name of wife or husband, permanent address, registration certificate and the date of issuing the certificate along with the details of the certificate issuing authority is mentioned along with the signature of the issuing officer.

However, in the death report prepared by MCC, the cause of death is mentioned but the same is not mentioned in the death certificate. The death reports are only for officials to refer. People can approach the MCC and pay Rs. 5 at the birth and death certificate section and obtain the death certificate, Anil explained.

If a person dies at any government hospital including the K.R. Hospital, applications can be submitted to the concerned Resident Medical Officer (RMO) and death certificate can be obtained by the relatives of the deceased. **"As per rules, if a person dies at District COVID Hospital, death certificate must be issued there itself. As of now there is no such facility and the relatives of patients face a lot of difficulties. A separate counter will be established there and will be connected to the main server of MCC to issue death certificates. This will take a week's time," he added.**

Number of post-mortems decline

Ever since the COVID-19 pandemic rocked Mysuru, there has been a drastic decline in the post-mortems as there are not many reports of unnatural deaths. Usually, post-mortems of people dying due to unnatural causes are performed at Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMCR&I).

Though the deaths due to COVID have seen a spike, the District Administration is treating the deaths as natural and moreover the bodies of persons dying due to virus infection are not subjected to post-mortem. Even the cremation/ burial are performed by the District Administration.

As a lockdown was imposed in March-April, there was severe restriction on movements and businesses. As such, there has been a drastic reduction of accidents and rivalry-related murders. So naturally, there has been a decline in post-mortems.

Usually, in city every day over 15 to 20 post-mortems are conducted as deaths are reported and people were dying due to various unnatural reasons. Every month, over 600 to 650 post-mortems are conducted every month and now the number has come down to 150 to 160. But instances of unclaimed bodies have seen a rise, sources said.

Clarify on death certificate inconsistencies: HC to Govt.

Bengaluru, Aug. 7- The Karnataka High Court has directed the State Government to clarify on the inconsistency in the issuance of death certificates during COVID-19. The Bench quoted provisions under the Registration of Births and Deaths Act, 1969, and directed the Government not to mention COVID-19 unnecessarily in the death certificates, when the cause of death is not confirmed.

A Bench comprising Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice Aravind Kumar observed that the stand taken by the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) runs contrary to the circular issued by the State Government in regard to issuance of death certificates.

The Bench explained the situation with an example saying it would be unnecessary to enter 'COVID-19' as cause of death in the death certificate if a person dies in a road accident, but also tested positive for COVID-19. The Bench observed that unless required to mention the cause of death, it is not mandatory to mention that the deceased suffered from COVID-19.

District Administration takes over cremation, burial of COVID dead

Mysuru, Aug. 7 (RK&BCT)- The District Administration has taken the onus of performing the last rites (funeral) of people dying due to COVID-19. Protocols and guidelines laid down by the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) are strictly followed while cremating or burying the dead.

The last rites of patients are being conducted at Vijayanagar High-tech crematorium, Tipu Circle Khabarastan, Rammanahalli and the burial ground located on Jodi Thenginamara Road at Bannimantap. Two or three relatives of the patients are allowed to perform religious rituals and they are made to wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).

From the time of a person's death is reported, the dead body is disinfected and neatly packed in prescribed cloth bags and sealed. The bag is not opened at any cost and relatives can see the face of the loved one through a transparent sheet near the body's head part. Bathing the dead body and post-mortem is not allowed.

The Jodi Thenginamara Road burial ground is inactive at present as most of the relatives prefer the body to be burnt than buried. In those religions where only burial is allowed, customs are carried out accordingly and the decision of burial or cremation is entirely left to the relatives and officials have no role in it, officials from MCC told *Star of Mysore*.

Though there are 38 burial grounds in the MCC limits, only four have been identified to perform the last rites of COVID patients. As soon as any death is reported from any COVID hospital or care centre, dedicated staff of the MCC go there wearing protective equipment and shift the body to the place of last rites.

Before the body is handed over to the MCC staff, signed consent of the relatives is obtained, If the body is cremated, the ashes are handed over to the relatives the next day so that they can perform rituals including ash immersion at holy places, officials said.

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NOTICE INVITING TENDER - 01/2020

Sealed Tenders are invited for the following works from contractors who have registered with PWD/CPWD, Railways, MES, Post & telegraph department and have carried out similar works satisfactorily for CSIR / Government / Semi-Government Organizations / PSU's etc., equal to the value of works amounting at least three similar works amounting to 40% or at least two similar works amounting to 60% or at least one work amounting to 80% or above in a single contract of the estimated cost of work as shown in NIT during the last five years, ending on the last day on the month previous to the one in which tender is being invited.

Sl No	Name of the Work	Estimated cost	Period for completion	EMD Amount (Rs)	Cost of tender document (Rs)
01.	Repair and restoration of old AFSTI building at CSIR - CFTRI, Mysore	22,36,773/-	90 Days	45,000/-	500/- (Nonrefundable)
02.	Construction of light roof structure to house seminar hall for AFSTI building at CSIR - CFTRI, Mysore	24,13,705/-	120 Days	48,500/-	500/- (Nonrefundable)

- Last date of Issue of Tender documents : Up to 3:30pm of 14.08.2020
- Last date for receipt of Tenders : Up to 3:30pm of 17.08.2020
- Date and Time of opening Tenders : 2:30pm on 18.08.2020 at AFSTI Office

Tender documents can be obtained in person from Office of AFSTI on all working days from 9:30am to 3:30pm on cash payment of tender fee. Copy of the valid registration certificate, GST registration certificate and experience certificate should be enclosed along with the application letter to obtaining the tender documents. The Hon. Secretary, AFSTI, Mysore reserve the rights to accept in full or in part or reject all or any Tender without assigning any reasons whatsoever and no correspondence will be entertained in this regard. Other terms conditions are as per the General Conditions of Contract.

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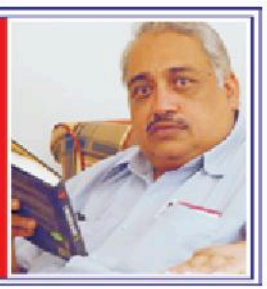

By Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem, MD

A Happy encounter during a Bad Time !

We all know very well that we are all going through some very trying times with the COVID-19 virus doing the rounds in the air and people who are going about their work being constantly worried about whether they will catch it. Yes, we are all living in this constant dread over the past six months now.

The few moments of relaxation and tranquillity we have these days are the ones we spend in complete solitude or in activities which we know are completely safe. One such activity is our routine daily morning walk in a sufficiently safe environment in which most of us now find much solace and mental peace too in addition to its well-known bodily benefits.

It was while on our routine morning walk at the **Karanji Tank** yesterday that my wife and I had a very pleasant and most unusual experience. As I have said once too before in one of my articles, while my wife goes there for a real morning walk I go there for my morning stroll, very often with my binoculars hanging around my neck.

When you pose as a serious bird-watcher and pretend to be looking for something in the foliage around you, most people will not stop to disturb you with their small talk and they will also not wonder why you are walking without the resolve of a morning walker when you have paid an entry fee to be where you are!

But it is also true that I'm not a completely fake bird-watcher because with or without my binoculars, I do try to spot as many birds as I can whenever I'm out in the open countryside. Sometimes I am lucky in spotting a rare bird which should not normally be expected where I find it. This was exactly the case when some **White Rumped Shamas** were spotted at the Karanji Tank a few months ago which also found a mention in the news.

This is a species that is normally found in the wooded and hilly countryside, distant from human habitations like towns and cities. **But yesterday morning instead of me trying to find a bird at the Karanji Tank it was a bird that found me!** As I was sitting on a stone bench gazing at a family of **Spot Bill Ducks** frolicking in the still waters of the Lake I felt a light tap on my right shoulder. Thinking that it was my wife who had laid her hand there as she usually does when we meet after our respective walks, I turned to see that it was a colourful parrot! Even before I could overcome my surprise it shifted from my right shoulder to my left and stayed there for a good half minute craning its neck to peer at my face as if to ascertain if I was the person it was looking for!

Then it flew to the bamboo thicket an arm's length away and began admiring me from there. I could take some photos of it with my mobile phone and even shoot a two-minute-long video of its antics while it repeatedly slid back and forth, sideways on its perch with amazing agility.

That was when my wife arrived on the scene and seated herself on the bench to be herself surprised on seeing me photographing a parrot from such close quarters. The moment my new-found companion saw my wife, it flew down from the bamboo thicket and perched itself alongside her on the bench.

But I was not one bit surprised by its behaviour because by that time the ornithologist in me had identified it as a male Alexandrine Parakeet and like all males it was naturally showing a greater affinity for feminine company! It quickly edged closer to her very boldly as if it had known her all its life and began to tug at her sleeve as if to ask her for something to eat, offering me another opportunity for making an interesting video of amazing bird behaviour !

Very sadly we did not have anything with us that we could offer it...not even a biscuit. **After a good three minutes and maybe after hearing the call of its real mate from some distant tree, it flew off in a tearing hurry, after perhaps realising before it was too late, that it is better and safer to be faithful than flirty!**

Amazed by its very unusual behaviour, my wife and I were hoping to see if we would bump into our new-found friend once again today but very sadly we had to miss our morning walk because today was rainy day. Well, we'll take a chance tomorrow and who knows, we may be in luck!

Asha Kirana... A real ray of hope!

As most of us in the city know now, **MAHAN (The Mysore Association of Hospitals, Nursing Homes, Clinics and Diagnostic Centres)** has joined hands with the District Administration to create many exclusive hospitals and care centres to manage COVID-19 cases without endangering the lives of their other patients and their attendants.

The latest addition to this is the Asha Kirana Hospital on the Ring Road in Hebbal which has already been rendering commendable service over twenty-two-long years in the medical field.

The Trustees, donors and the management of this hospital have decided to hand it over to **MAHAN COVID Care Consortium** to admit and treat the rapidly growing numbers of COVID-19 cases that are literally choking our hospitals everywhere. The hospital has undergone a complete makeover at a huge cost of nearly 14 lakh rupees borne largely by its Trustees and **Mahender Darla of Prakash Jewellers** and his family and is now ready and waiting to serve suffering humanity.

I will not be wrong if I say that while the medical care that they get there will heal their bodies, the quiet and tranquil ambience of this pristine place itself will be enough medicine to heal the minds of all the patients who go there for treatment.

Three cheers to the generosity of the souls behind this project !

RIP our brave friends !

As we all know very well, hundreds of doctors and para medical personnel have laid down their lives during the call of duty across the world, very much like real soldiers on any battle field.

Unknown to most of us, a good many of our own friends and colleagues nearer home, have been the victims of the COVID-19 battle that they were fighting relentlessly, without any material expectations and often under very adverse circumstances, not to save their own lives but only to save the lives of their patients.

Here is a silent homage to their supreme sacrifice on behalf of my professional fraternity. May their noble souls rest in peace. Amen!

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Mysuru DC, SP visit Harangi Dam; take stock of water release process

Kushalnagar, Aug. 7 (Akshay&BCT)- Mysuru Deputy Commissioner (DC) Abhiram G. Sankar, Superintendent of Police C.B. Ryshyanth, Zilla Panchayat CEO Prashanth Kumar Mishra and Periyapatna Tahsildar Shwetha visited Harangi Dam yesterday and met the officials to take stock of the water release from the Dam that directly affects the villages of Mysuru District.

The DC and officials examined the Emergency Action Plan prepared by the Dam officials where it has been indicated that 36 villages in Mysuru, Kodagu and Hassan Districts will be marooned if more than 20,000 cusecs of water is released from Harangi Dam.

The villages are located in an area of 96 kilometres from Kushalnagar till the backwaters of Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS). The DC was presented with the map of the area and the extent to which villages will be submerged. From Aug. 1 to 7, Harangi Dam has received 8 tmcft of water and already 4 tmcft has been released.

Already due to the water release, water has entered into residential areas of Kushalnagar and the Koppa-Bylakuppe Road has been cut off. Also, the Kushalnagar-Madikeri Road is blocked and water is flowing two feet above the road.

Outflow from Harangi Dam has touched 13,000 cusecs and the Dam officials have been asked to keep only 75 to 80 percent of the water in the Reservoir and release the rest. According to Harangi Dam officials, the floods are caused not due to the water released from the Dam but from the increased flow of River Cauvery that reaches Kushalnagar through Balamberi, Bethri and Siddapur.

Like the last two years, this year too, the Harangi catchment is receiving less rainfall. River Cauvery carries excess water that floods the villages, reasoned officials.

Meanwhile, Madikeri MLA M.P. Appachu Ranjan has said that the silt removal project taken up with an estimated cost of Rs. 89 lakh in May this year has actually prevented flooding in Kushalnagar.

In the previous two years, there was unprecedented flooding in Kushalnagar and most of the areas inside the town were under water for weeks together. Last year, for the first time, the 400-year-old bridge near Kushalnagar-Koppa border (next to the newly-constructed bridge) submerged on Aug. 10. This rain, coupled with huge water release from Harangi Dam, brought untold miseries to the people of Kushalnagar.

The silt-removal project was taken up to prevent flooding like in the previous years. An area of 300-metre length and 100-metre width was identified in the surroundings of Rasool Layout, Muthappa Swamy Temple and Ayyappa Swamy Temple.

The mud-and-sand combined silt was removed by earth movers and the excavated earth was dumped on the river side. Also, channels were built so that rainwater that floods Kushalnagar town could smoothly enter the river.

"The project was taken up without calling tender due to urgency. But the project was abandoned as people raised objection. But I am happy that the half-completed project has so far prevented large amount of water entering Kushalnagar," Appachu Ranjan told *Star of Mysore*.

"Last year, Harangi River reported an inflow of 30,000 to 35,000 cusecs while Cauvery River reported an inflow of 80,000 to 85,000 cusecs. This is because the rivers have changed course and have accumulated huge silt due to landslides of 2018. We need money for river course correction and silt removal and that's why we have asked for Rs. 130 crore," Appachu Ranjan added.

Inflow to KRS dam increases

Mandya, Aug.7 (Nagaiah)- With rains lashing Kodagu district and other catchment areas, the inflow to the KRS Dam at Srirangapatna Taluk of Mandya District is increasing by the day in the past few days.

Today, the Dam recorded an inflow of 48,956 cusecs and outflow of 3,156 cusecs. A total of 35.773 TMC of water was released from the Dam in the last 24 hours till today noon.

The water-level at the Dam today stood at 113.85 ft. as against the maximum level of 124.80 ft.

The Dam has been consistently receiving huge inflows of over 40,000 cusecs every day over the past couple of days and the authorities expect the Dam to be full to the brim within a fortnight.

With the water level increasing steadily, the Dam authorities said that there is no flood threat along the Cauvery river basin as of now and the outflow will be increased in correspondence with the inflow once the water-level reaches the maximum level.

SSLC results on Aug.10

Bengaluru,Aug.7- Ending the anxiety of lakhs of students over the date of announcement of SSLC exam (2019-20) results, the Karnataka Secondary Education Examination Board will announce the results at 3 pm on Aug.10.

Announcing this to press-persons in Bengaluru this afternoon, Primary and Secondary Education Minister S. Suresh Kumar said that the results will be announced on Aug.10 at 3 pm. Pointing out that over 8 lakh students had appeared for the exam held from June 25 to July 4, he said that the results are being announced with the completion of evaluation, tabulation works and all other processes.

Hostile weather hampers relief & rescue operations

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Minister Somanna, accompanied by battery of officials and media persons, walked to a short distance and was forced to return. Last night, the NDRF team that has been pressed into service to rescue the trapped people under the landslides informed Kodagu Deputy Commissioner (DC) Annies Kanmani Joy that it was impossible to carry out rescue operations.

Loose soil, inclement weather

The NDRF team told the DC that the place where the landslide has occurred is filled with loose soil and slush and it was a slippery area. If at all the rubble has to be cleared, it has to be done physically as earth movers cannot enter the area due to the steep terrain and there is a danger of the machines sliding away. Also, incessant rain is hampering relief operations, the team informed the DC.

Speaking to reporters, Minister Somanna said that one State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) has been stationed at Kushalnagar while one has been provided to Virajpet. "People in low-lying areas and those living in hilly areas like Ayyappa Hill and Malethirike Hill in Virajpet have been asked to move to safe places. Relief centres have been opened at Karadigodu near Siddapur, Nellihudikeri, Virajpet and more such centres will be opened depending on the need," he said.

Cattle, vehicles washed away

Meanwhile, the mud that came crashing at Talacauvery has travelled more than six kilometres taking along with it trees and boulders. The cow shed owned by priest Narayanachar and family was also washed away and there were over 20 cattle heads. The carcasses of the bovines have been found floating in the mud-coloured river near Bhagamandala. The SUV and a car owned by the priest too have been found washed away and it has reached more than eight kilometres from the place of the landslide.

Children unable to travel

The children of priest Narayanachar are settled in Australia and they have been informed about the incident. The children have expressed their inability to come to India due to COVID-19 pandemic and as international flights have been suspended. District Administration sources said that the children have urged the District authorities to find and perform the last rites of their parents and relatives.

Kodagu DC Office SHIFTED

Following threat of landslides on the Madikeri-Mangaluru Road, the Kodagu Deputy Commissioner's Office located on a steep gradient on the road is under threat of collapse. As a precautionary measure, the main offices located in the DC Office Complex have been shifted.

Henceforth, the DC Office will function from the Office of City Municipal Council. Only essential sections will be operated and the other non-essential wings will be closed.

Obituary

Dr. Mohammed Yousuf

Mysuru, Aug. 7 - Dr. Mohammed Yousuf (63), Chairman of Karnataka State Wakf Board, passed away in the wee hours of today in Bengaluru.

He leaves behind his wife, one daughter, one son and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza was held at Masjid Muzzamil in Bengaluru this morning followed by the burial at the Muslim Burial Grounds next to Masjid Muzammil, according to sources.

Foamy and Frothy

Nature's splendour on full display at Chunchanakatte Waterfall

Mysuru, Aug. 7 (MTY&BCT)- Counted as one of the many gorgeous waterfalls in Karnataka, the spectacular Chunchanakatte Falls is attracting visitors from far and wide despite COVID-19 pandemic. Amidst the virus outbreak people are coming here in large numbers as if to take a break from COVID updates and spend some quality time with friends and family in the lap of nature.

It is a place where one can see nature's bounty in full flow. The spot is also called Dhanushkoti waterfall, located at Chunchanakatte village near K.R. Nagar and it is around 55 kms from Mysuru. With heavy rains since the last one week in Kodagu, Cauvery, the lifeline for Mysuru and Mandya farmers, is in full spate and hundreds of tourists are visiting the spot to see the water gushing out like a giant river of milk.

Cauvery, which takes birth at Talacauvery in Kodagu, reaches KRS in Mandya District. Thanks to copious rains, more than 12,000 to 13,000 of cusecs of Cauvery water is being released on a day-to-day basis from Harangi Dam in Kodagu.

At Dhanushkoti, before the water reaches KRS, water falls from a height of more than 65 feet like milk foam and it attracts tourists in hordes. They capture the magical moments on their cameras and mobiles apart from clicking selfies.

Also, water flows with great force here as a private company produces electricity 300 metres away from Chunchanakatte Falls. However, while it is a splendid site to watch water falling from the heights in full force, venturing into the water is extremely dangerous and even boats get swept away due to sheer force.

Ramayana connection

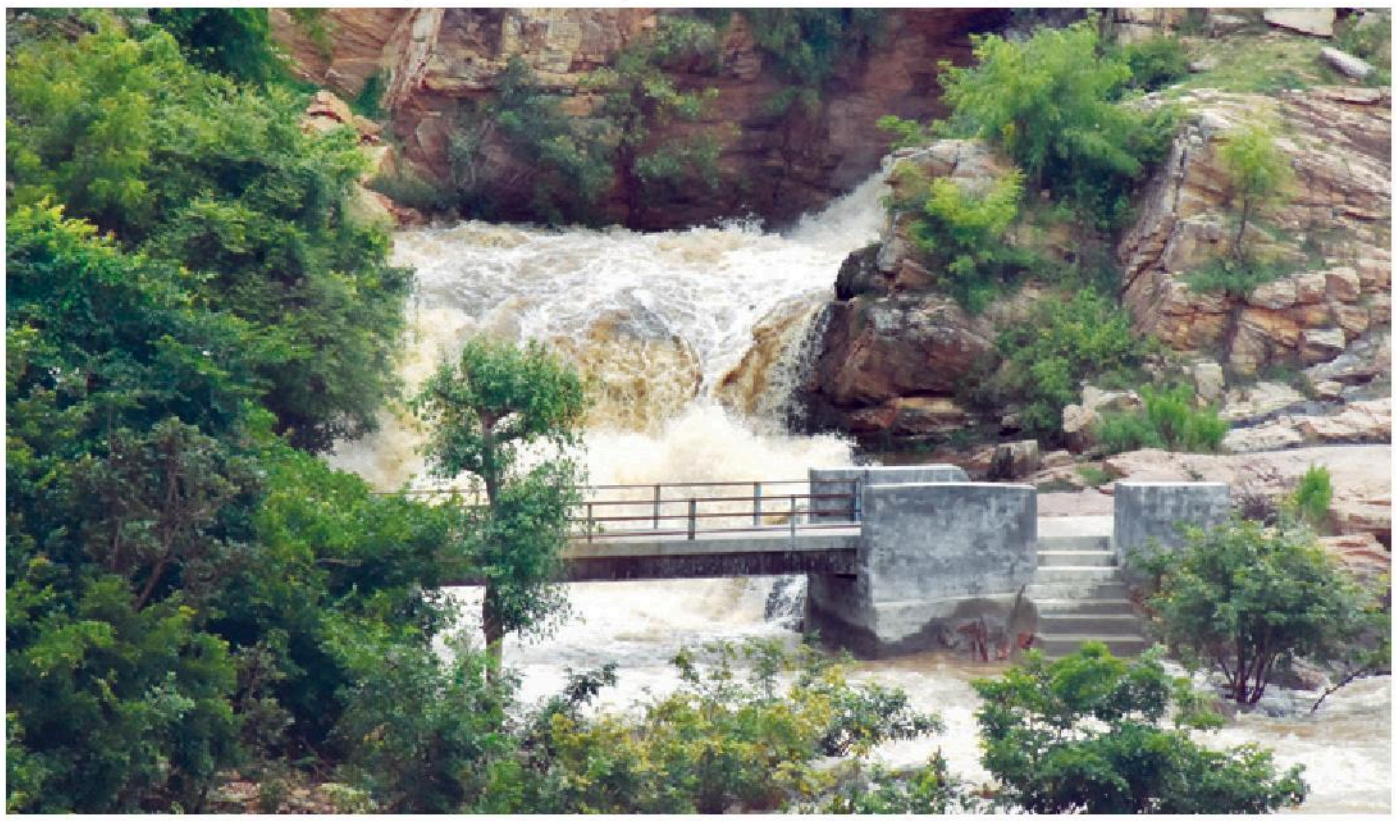
Tourists are first visiting Anjaneya, Kodandarama and Seetha Devi Temples near the river banks and then going to watch the cascading waterfall. Legend says that there is a Seetha Devi 'madu' (whirlpool) at Dhanushkoti. During Ramayana, Seetha Devi used to take bath in this place and one day, Lord Ram's brother Lakshman accidentally came near the place without realising that Seetha Devi is taking bath.

To prevent such occurrences, legends say, Seetha Devi built a protective wall with boulders around the whirlpool. Another legend says that when Lakshman entered the area, Seetha Devi walked a few steps to avoid being seen and the boulders automatically formed a protective wall around her.

Chamaraja Dam

There is a small dam at a distance of seven kilometres from Dhanushkoti that was built in 1890 by Chamaraja Wadiyar. The dam was built for local villagers to carry out agriculture activities and it is in 'U' shape from one end of the river to the other end. The 750-ft dam is called Chamaraja Dam by the locals and this too is a tourist spot.

It may be mentioned here that to make the Chunchanakatte Falls more attractive and to draw more and more tourists, the Tourism Department organises Jalapathotsava — with illuminated surroundings and cultural programmes — every year. This year due to COVID-19 pandemic, the Jalapathotsava is destined to be shelved.



Seetha Devi 'madu' (whirlpool) at Dhanushkoti.

Milky Way amidst Green Foliage

Forest Department bans tourists to Gaganachukki and Bharachukki

Heavy discharge of water from upstream reservoirs like Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) and Kabini Reservoirs has resulted in the famed Gaganachukki waterfalls in Mandya District and Bharachukki waterfalls in Chamarajanagar swell to its maximum amid the riot of green and the mesmerising misty veil.

The two branches of Cauvery River (eastern and western) flow through deep ravines on either side of the island before plunging into two different places a few kilometres apart to form the Gaganachukki and Bharachukki waterfalls. Both the waterfalls have sprung back to life regaining its splendour.

Gaganachukki and Bharachukki waterfalls are together known as the Shivanasamudra Falls (also called Bluff). While Gaganachukki is in Malavalli taluk of Mandya district, Bharachukki comes under the jurisdiction of Kollegal taluk in Chamarajanagar district. If you are planning a visit to Gaganachukki and Bharachukki, the Forest Department has decided to block the entry of tourists. Though the Chamarajanagar District Administration has thrown open all the tourist sites as per the guidelines issued by the State and Centre, the Forest Department has banned tourist entry due to Coronavirus outbreak.

Nanjangud faces flood threat

as Kapila River water-level rises

Nanjangud, Aug.7 (RS&DM)- With the water level of Kapila river increasing steadily due to huge discharge from Kabini Dam, the temple town of Nanjangud is facing the threat of floods in the coming days.

The Kapila river that flows through the town, is receiving 50,000 cusecs of water almost every day in the past few days and as a result, the water level has been rising alarmingly.

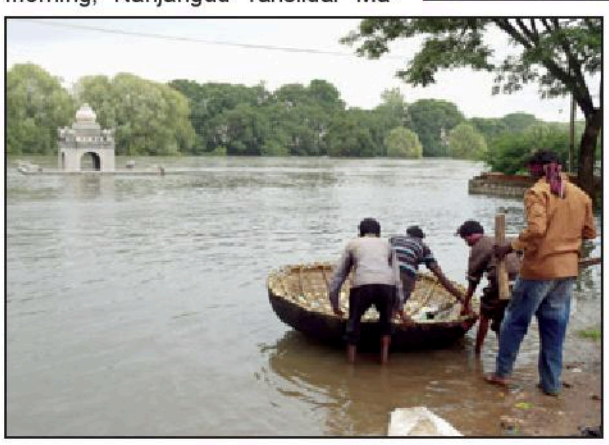
Due to the rise in water level, the bathing ghat and *mudikatte* of Srikanteshwara temple and Parashurama temple have been completely submerged, while Hadinaaru Kalu Mantapa in the middle of the river is almost submerged.

With water gushing into four houses at Halladakeri, a low-lying area of the town, the Taluk Authorities have shifted the residents to safer locations.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, Nanjangud Tahsildar Maheshkumar said that Kapila river has received 10,000 cusecs of water from Kabini Dam today. Asserting that there is no threat of floods as of now, he said that, however, uninterrupted huge discharges may lead to flooding of the river and the Taluk Administration has taken all necessary measures to contain possible floods.

Pointing out that as river water gushed into Halladakeri area of the town, several families of the locality have been moved to safer locations yesterday, he reiterated that the Taluk Administration is fully geared up to meet any emergencies.

On Thursday, MLA B. Harshavardhan visited *mudikatte* and low-lying areas of the town to take stock of the situation. He directed the authorities to take necessary measures for moving out people to safer locations and to ensure safety of people in other areas in view of possible flood-like situation.



WORD OF THE DAY

Noblesse oblige

Pronunciation: noh-BLESS-uh-BLEEZH.
Meaning: The obligation of honorable, generous, and responsible behaviour associated with high rank or birth.
Origin: In French, noblesse oblige means literally "nobility obligates." French speakers transformed the phrase into a noun, which English speakers picked up in the 19th century. Then, as now, noblesse oblige referred to the unwritten obligation of people from a noble ancestry to act honorably and generously to others. Later, by extension, it also came to refer to the obligation of anyone who is in a better position than others—due, for example, to high office or celebrity—to act respectably and responsibly.
Example: "Like many independent schools, Shipley cultivates a sense of noblesse oblige among its students—the notion that part of being educated in a privileged environment requires scholars to give back." — Alfred Lubrano

THE ODD WORD

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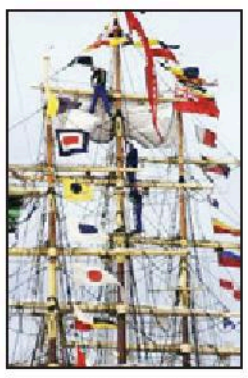
Swimming horizontally.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Nail your colours to the mast



Meaning: To defiantly display one's opinions and beliefs. Also, to show one's intention to hold on to those beliefs until the end.
Origin: In 17th century nautical battles colours (flags) were struck (lowered) as a mark of submission. It was also the custom in naval warfare to direct one's cannon fire at the opponent's ship's mast, thus disabling it. If all of a ship's masts were broken the captain usually had no alternative but to surrender. If the captain decided to fight on this was marked by hoisting colours on the remnants of the ship's rigging, that is, by 'nailing his colours to the mast'.The phrase originated in England and it is generally agreed that the expression was coined in reference to the exploits of the crew of the Venerable, at the Battle of Camperdown, a naval engagement that was fought between English and Dutch ships as part of the French Revolutionary Wars, in 1797. The English fleet was led by the Venerable, the flagship of Admiral Adam Duncan. The battle didn't initially go well for the English. The mainmast of Duncan's vessel was struck and the admiral's blue squadronal standard was brought down. This could have been interpreted by the rest of the fleet as meaning that Duncan had surrendered. Step forward, horny-handed son of the sea and subsequent national hero, Jack Crawford. Crawford climbed what was left of the mast with the standard and nailed it back where it was visible to the rest of the fleet. This act proved crucial in the battle and Duncan's forces were eventually victorious.

QUOTE BOX

And the wind plays on those great sonorous harps, the shrouds and masts of ships. **—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow**

RIDDLE THIS

What has lots of eyes, but can't see?

Answer: A potato.

SUDOKU

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Answer to previous puzzle

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Speed meas.
4 Deepa Mehta's movie
8 A damp squib?
11 Bleat of a sheep
12 Frighten
14 Music director Malik
15 Above sea level
16 Laila's counterpart
17 A small unit of length
18 Uncle Tom's Cabin's creator
20 Distasteful
22 Some promos
24 A collection of tools
25 Indolent or slothful
28 Lager or beer
30 Change of Govt. : coup d'____
34 Consenting words at the altar? (1,2)
35 ___ Fawkes : conspirator in gun-powder plot?
36 Free or relieve from
37 Bustles or fuss
39 Chopping tool
40 Seizures
41 Long playing records, in short?
43 Udder or teat?
45 Woodland deity
48 Former Russian rulers
52 Sydney st.
53 ___ d'art : an expensive buy?
57 Express what is false; convey a false impression
58 Latin trio
59 Unitedly? (2,3)
60 Think ___ of : think badly of somebody?
61 A prefix meaning "all" or "universal"?
62 A fruit
63 Fairy, sprite

DOWN

1 IIM grads.
2 Gone by
3 Popular Microsoft game
4 Distinguished, famous
5 Playback singer Arun
6 Indian rule
7 Sea-eagle variant
8 Barriers to keep back water
9 Fixed amount
10 Rightly or fittingly
13 Indian sage or wise man
19 The Milky ___ : our galaxy?
21 Took food
23 Epics, legends
24 ____ up : stimulated or excited, in a way?
25 Debussy heroine
26 Put two and two together?
27 Animal enclosure
29 Unit of illumination
31 Three as a prefix
32 River islet
33 Tax deducted at source, in short
38 Cunning like a fox?
40 Flight Guidance Sys.
42 A swift Malay sailing boat
44 Absolute
45 Single cut
46 Largest continent
47 Double
49 Tell __ ___ : speak untruth? (1,3)
50 A very small brook; a rivulet
51 One's own person
54 Mayawati's party
55 ___ Blow : an average person?
56 Girl's name

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

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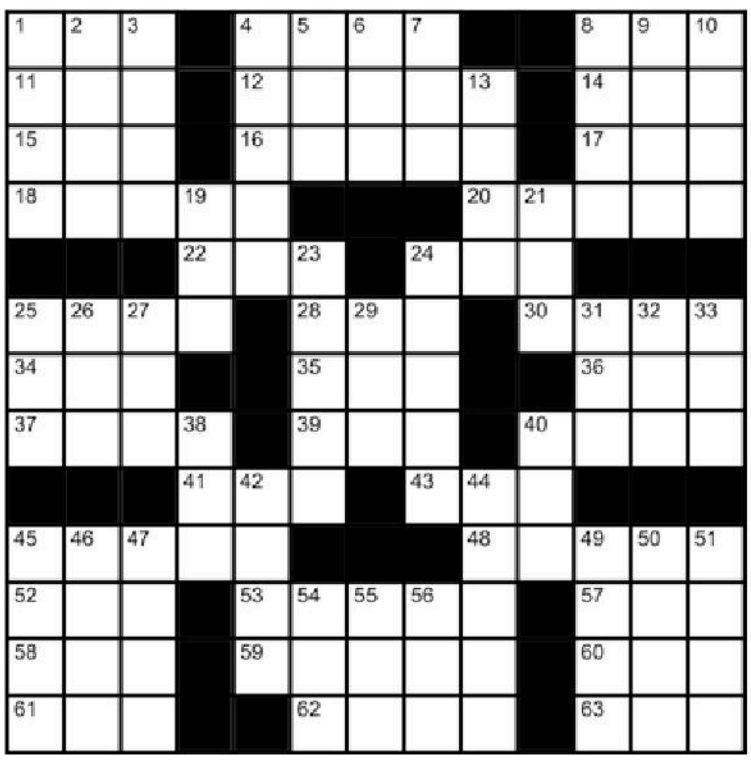

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

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TODAY'S CLUE: E EQUALS P

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Idleness is not doing nothing. Idleness is being free to do anything.

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Plea to clear garbage dumped near Triveni Circle at Kalyangiri

Garbage heap dumped on C. Ashwat Road near Triveni Circle in Kalyangiri is not cleared and is emanating foul smell as the garbage is decaying due to rains. This is causing a lot of problems to the residents and also mosquitoes have increased in the surroundings, complain residents of the locality, who have urged the authorities concerned to take steps to clear the garbage at the earliest.

The pathetic condition of the road at Damodar Nagar

The road at Damodar Nagar near Alanahalli is filled with slush and has become un-motorable. Residents allege that the road is not asphalted since years and have urged the authorities concerned to lay a new road for the benefit of the residents.

Temporary relief to Saraswathipuram 6th Main Road residents

Corporator gets excavated mud removed from front of houses, assures of completing UGD works soon

Mysuru, Aug. 7 (MK&KS) - Unscientific Underground Drainage (UGD) works, which had forcibly 'quarantined' the residents of Saraswathipuram 6th Main Road as they were unable to come out of their houses or even take out their vehicles for work or during emergencies, can now breathe a sigh of relief as area Corporator Shivakumar has got the excavated mud dumped in front of houses removed and a temporary pathway has been made for the residents to move about.

A news item highlighting the problems faced by the residents with the title 'Unscientific UGD works 'Quarantine' Saraswathipuram 6th Main Road residents' was published in *Star of Mysore* on Aug. 4, following which area Corporator Shivakumar took the initiative of clearing the excavated mud in front of houses and creating a temporary pathway for the residents to move about.

It may be recalled that the earth moving machine, which was deployed to dig a trench to lay new UGD pipes had dumped the excavated earth in front of houses which had forced the residents to stay indoors. Just a drizzle was enough to convert this dug up road in into a slushy mess resembling a paddy field. With no place left for the residents to go out even to purchase medicines, they were forced to stay indoors.

> "There were problems with the Underground Drainage (UGD) System on the 6th Main Road, behind Kamakshi Hospital since many years and the residents had complained of foul smell emanating from it. Hence the works to replace the old pipes with new ones has been going on since two weeks and a manhole is also being constructed. But due to rains, the work has been delayed. The works would be completed at the earliest."
>
> **— Shivakumar, Corporator**

MUDA reclaims encroached land

Mysuru, Aug. 7 (SPM&DM)- In an early morning operation on Wednesday, MUDA (Mysuru Urban Development Authority) officials reclaimed an encroached land worth about Rs. 40 lakh at Gokulam second stage in city.

One Basavanna had illegally built a shed on a site (No.294) measuring 6.40 mts x 9.40 mts in Gokulam second stage and stayed in it for years.

Later, Basavanna moved the Court claiming that the site belonged to him. But Basavanna failed to produce any documents supporting his claim on ownership, following which the MUDA authorities reclaimed the site after vacating the shed built on it and installed a board mentioning that the site belongs to MUDA.

MUDA Commissioner Dr. D.B. Natesh said that the site will be auctioned.

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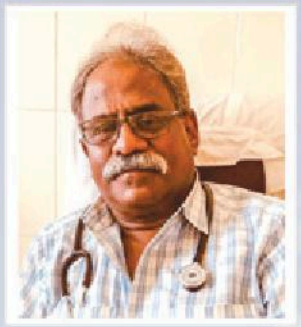

Dr G.M. Manjunath

(31.12.1960 - 06.08.2020)

COVID-19 war hero and warrior, Pediatrician, General Hospital, Channapatna.

We are shattered, we grieve, yet proud of his untiring and sacrificial service rendered to the sick, during the pandemic.

Lived an elevated life in service of others, a life truly well lived, will be greatly missed.

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